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NFIP/ CRS Corner

Save the Date

E278—National Flood Insurance Program / Community Rating System

This EMI field- deployed course covers the CRS, a nationwide initiative of FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program. The four-day course describes activities eligible for credit under CRS, how a community applies, and how a community modifies an application to improve its classification.

September 14-17, 2015

LSU—Nelson Memorial Building

Prerequisites: Be a Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM), or have completed the E273, Managing Floodplain Development through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) course **or** be a full-time Floodplain Manager with more than 3 years of full-time floodplain management experience.

For registration please contact Pam Lightfoot at pam.lightfoot@la.gov

Go to FEMA.gov to download and fill out the **General Admission Application, FEMA Form 119-25**.

Please note signatures from the state office are not needed for this field deployed class. All other signatures are required. Bring the completed application to class on the first day.

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DOTD Certificate of Appreciation

They were presented the “Certificate of Appreciation” at the 32nd Annual LFMA Conference. This certificate, presented by the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development, is given to a person with outstanding qualities in the field of floodplain management. We thank them for their dedication and service to the citizens of their community and Louisiana.

LFMA 32nd Annual Conference

LFMA's 32nd Annual Conference was held on April 8-10 in Houma at the Courtyard by Marriott. Guest Speakers and FEMA representatives spoke about new and Hot Topics.

In case you missed it, you can view presentations online at www.lfma.org.

On April 15th and 16th, there were two 1-day CRS workshops that covered multiple, useful topics to incorporate into your community. Please make plans to attend the class in September. As always, the class is at no-cost to you.



**CRS 1-day workshop
conducted by
FEMA Region 6**

LFMA Summer Workshop

LFMA is hosting a half-day workshop on **July 24, 2015** at the Lafourche Parish Government Building in Mathews, Louisiana. Please go to www.lfma.org for more information and registration. The half-day seminar will cover many issues facing coastal elevations and water levels for Southeast Louisiana.

A message from FEMA Region 6...

With this spring's flooding and the on-going threat, this is the right time to review the subject of substantial damage. It's also that time of year approaching June 1 and the start of Hurricane Season!

This is because a) if there is a hurricane it is likely to result in substantial damage particularly in the coastal areas, b) tropical storms include the threat of inland flooding, and c) substantial damage to a structure can occur at any time. As a local Floodplain Administrator, it is very important to be familiar with and know what should be done during a recovery. **Please coordinate with both your Chief Elected Official and Emergency Manager for recovery/preparation purposes.**

As you know, the local floodplain management ordinance and National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations are intended to prevent unwise development or redevelopment of structures /other development within the identified floodplains of NFIP participating communities. There are specific provisions that apply whether or not flooding occurs as a result of a hurricane or if there is a major disaster declaration. Below is a quick summary of these provisions:

Development Permits must be obtained for **ALL** proposed construction or other development, *including post disaster repairs*, within the identified flood hazard areas in the community.

All new construction, **substantial improvement, or restoration of substantially damaged residential structures** shall have the lowest floor elevated to or above the identified base flood elevation (BFE).

All new construction and/or **substantial improvement of non-residential structures** in Zone AE shall either have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above the identified BFE or be designed so that the area below the BFE is watertight with walls that are impermeable to water and are capable of withstanding hydrostatic and hydrodynamic pressures.

Encroachments – including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, substantial restoration and other development are prohibited within an adopted regulatory floodway if it is determined that the encroachment would result in any increase in the flood levels with the community during the occurrence of the 100 year or 1% chance flood.

These requirements, found in local floodplain management regulations, are designed to mitigate future losses of life and property during times of flooding. Failure to enforce these measures may jeopardize a community's continued participation in the NFIP and will affect future Federal assistance.

Below are a list of resources for your review and use:

Training:

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-284> - IS-284: Using the Substantial Damage Estimator 2.0 Tool – EMI Course

State Delivered Courses:

G0194.4 Preparing for Post-Disaster Responsibilities

G0284.5 Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage

Tools:

FEMA P-784 CD, Substantial Damage Estimator (SDE) (2014) - <http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/18692?id=4166>

FEMA P-758, Substantial Improvement/Substantial Damage Desk Reference (2010) - <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/18562>

SDE Sample Notice of Determination - Substantial Damage - http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/20130726-1735-25045-2771/sde_sample_notice_of_determination_substantial_damage.pdf

Substantial Damage Estimator Best Practices (2012) - <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/26753>

SDE Damage Inspection Worksheet - http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/20130726-1735-25045-0007/sde_forms_combined_pdf.pdf

FEMA 213, Answers to Questions About Substantially Damaged Buildings (1991) - <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/2969>

ASFP - NAI Toolkit - [http://www.floods.org/NoAdverseImpact/NAI Toolkit 2003.pdf](http://www.floods.org/NoAdverseImpact/NAI_Toolkit_2003.pdf)

Page 42-43 – Count Improvements Cumulatively

Page 85 – Higher Regulatory Standards Matrix

To share with Community Members:

<https://www.fema.gov/frequently-asked-questions-building-science> - Frequently Asked Questions – Building Science

http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/20130726-1438-20490-1905/f084_atq_11aug11.pdf - Answers to Questions about the NFIP

<https://www.fema.gov/community-rebuilding-resources> - Community Building Resources

We hope the above information is useful to you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Association, NFIP State Coordinator or the FEMA Region 6 Floodplain Management and Insurance staff: <https://beta.fema.gov/who-can-we-contact-region-vi-about-mitigation-programs>. You can also forward your questions via email to R6-Mitigation-Outreach@fema.dhs.gov to be referred to the appropriate staff person.



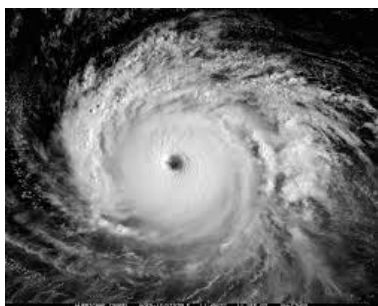
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2015 Hurricane Names

ANA
BILL
CLAUDETTE
DANNY
ERIKA
FRED
GRACE

HENRI
IDA
JOAQUIN
KATE
LARRY
MINDY
NICHOLAS

ODETTE
PETER
ROSE
SAM
TERESA
VICTOR
WANDA



Origin

TAINO

SPANISH

hurakán
god of the
storm

→ huracán

→ hurricane
mid 16th century

mid 16th century: from Spanish *huracán*, probably from Taino *hurakán* 'god of the storm.'

COMMUNITY TRIVIA

Louisiana has the tallest state capitol building in the United States;
the building is 450 feet tall with 34 floors.





Public Works & Water Resources Division

FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

As the State Coordination Office between the DHS/FEMA Regional Office and the communities of Louisiana that belong to the National Flood Insurance Program [NFIP], it is our job to provide any guidance or assistance needed to our Louisiana communities in order to assure the NFIP regulations are carried out and violations prevented. In order to better serve you, please take a moment to tell us how we're doing and how we could improve. Thank you,

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CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEY

Have you had contact with our office within the last 6 months? YES ☐ NO ☐

if yes, please check one: Email ☐ Phone ☐ Meeting ☐

(please circle a number)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Strongly Disagree	Disagree
Staff was friendly and courteous	5	4	3	2	1
I was treated with respect	5	4	3	2	1
Staff was knowledgeable	5	4	3	2	1
My questions & concerns were addressed in a timely manner	5	4	3	2	1
The staff provided me with useful information	5	4	3	2	1
I had an overall positive experience dealing with the staff of Floodplain Management	5	4	3	2	1

How could we improve our services?

PLEASE MAIL completed survey to:

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Our goal is flood loss reduction . . .

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